

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: **Writers and Authors (27-3043)**

Associated Occupation: **Historians (19-3093)**

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 53

Focus Occupation: Writers and Authors (27-3043)

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
English Language	11.2	16.6	20.4	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
History and Archeology	2.6	15.8	4.6	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Computers and Electronics	8.4	15.5	9.4	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Geography	3.9	6.6	3.7	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Philosophy and Theology	3.2	5.8	5.9	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 92

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Associated Occupation: Historians (19-3093)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Reading Comprehension	10.7	17.9	15.5	<	A higher skill level may be required
Writing	9.2	17.2	18.6	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Speaking	10.8	15.4	11.4	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Critical Thinking	10.8	14.2	11.6	<	A higher skill level may be required
Active Listening	11.0	13.8	12.6	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Active Learning	8.7	12.6	10.4	<	A higher skill level may be required
Instruction	7.8	10.8	7.0	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required

Learning Strategies	7.2	9.9	7.4	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Science	4.5	8.6	2.5	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 92			
Focus Occupation: Writers and Authors (27-3043)					
Associated Occupation: Historians (19-3093)					
Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Written Expression	9.8	17.7	16.3	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Comprehension	11.0	17.6	14.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Oral Expression	12.4	16.4	13.3	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Oral Comprehension	12.5	14.8	13.3	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Near Vision	11.1	14.5	12.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	13.7	10.6	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Speech Clarity	10.2	13.5	10.2	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 62
Focus Occupation: Writers and Authors (27-3043) Associated Occupation: Historians (19-3093)		
Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Compile information through interviews	68	
Edit written material	68	
Maintain awareness of social trends	71	
Use computers to enter, access or retrieve data	3	
Use interviewing procedures	23	
Use library or online Internet research techniques	21	
Use oral or written communication techniques	1	
Use public speaking techniques	13	
Use word processing or desktop publishing software	17	

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: n/a

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
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Tools and technology data is unavailable for one or both occupations.	
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Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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